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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

VAN LOON ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/493,484

Group Art Unit: 1648

Filed: January 28, 2000

Examiner: Parkin, J.

For: NOVEL ANTIGENIC CLASS OF REOVIRUSES

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Arlington, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

## RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF FEBRUARY 24, 2004

## I. Introduction

Applicants respectfully respond to the office action of February 24, 2004 as follows:

Applicants are petitioning for a two month extension of time. Please charge deposit account

02-2334 for the extension of time fee. Further, please charge any other required fees and

credit any credits to deposit account number 02-2334.

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